DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Omaha District, Corps of Engineers 106 South 15th Street Omaha, Nebraska 68102-1618

:NOTICE: Failure to acknowledge: Solicitation No. DACA45 03 B 0003

:all amendments may cause rejec-:

:tion of the bid. See FAR : Date of Issue: 16 Jun 2003
:52.214-3 of Section 00100 : Date of Opening: 21 Jul 2003

Amendment No. 0004 14 July 2003

SUBJECT: Amendment No. 0004 to Specifications and Drawings for Construction of Consolidated Lodging Facility, Phase IV, Minneapolis St. Paul - International Airport Air Force Reserve Station, MN.

Solicitation No. DACA45 03 B 0003.

TO: Prospective Bidders and Others Concerned

1. The specifications and drawings for subject project are hereby modified as follows (revise all specification indices, attachment lists, and drawing indices accordingly).

a. Specifications (Descriptive changes).

"5. Bid Format and Bidder Confidentiality

- a. The date of the Competitive Bidding Event is July 21, 2003. The FreeMarkets reference number for this bid is CBE 9473. The bid opening time will commence at 3:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time (2:00 pm Central Time). The bidding period time will is scheduled to close at 3:30 pm EDT (2:30 pm Central) unless a bid is submitted within the last minute of the bid opening time period. If a bid is submitted within the last minute of the bidding period, the previously scheduled bid ending period shall be extended for an additional minute beyond the scheduled close time (provided the bid was the lowest bid received). The bidding period will continue to be extended for additional one-minute periods as long as a lower, first-place bid is submitted within the last minute. The exact close time will depend on the number of overtime periods and will be controlled and displayed during the event via the BidWare software.
- b. Bids that Bidders submit through the FreeMarkets Online Bidding System are legally binding bids without qualification. Bidders must submit their bids through the online bidding mechanism supplied by FreeMarkets and not through any other mechanism including but not limited to post, courier, fax, e-mail, or orally.
- c. Bidders will be submitting a lump sum bid for all Basic and Options listed on the Bid Schedule. After the bid, all Bidders will be required to submit the Bidding Schedule worksheet. The Total Amount on the Bidding Schedule must equal the final bid submitted during the online bid. Bidders

must submit a price for all line items (Basic and Options).

- d. In changing their bid prices online, Bidders must change the amount of their bid by at least 0.25% (1/4 of 1%) of their current bid and cannot place bids within 0.125% (higher or lower) of the market-leading bid. This is referred to as the Minimum Bid Decrement.
- e. In order to place a market-leading bid, a Bidder must submit a bid that is lower than the current market-leading bid by at least 0.125%.
- f. In changing their bid prices, Bidders are not allowed to lower their bids by more than twenty-five percent (25%) from their previous bid. If a Bidder wishes to change its bid price by more than this amount, the Bidder must submit successive bids until the Bidder reaches the desired bid amount.
- g. There will be 1 lot in this bid as specified in the table below. Prices submitted during the CBE must be aggregate prices for the lot in its entirety based on the line items listed in this solicitation.

| Lot | Description | Scheduled Start | Scheduled Close |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Lodging Facility | 3:00 pm Eastern (2:00 pm Central) | 3:30 pm Eastern (2:30 pm Central) |

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- Sign and return the Bidders Agreement to the FreeMarkets contact."
- (3) Section 00100, Attachment FreeMarkets' Bid Submission Requirements, Attachment B, page ATTACHMENT B-1, Paragraph A, line 2, delete "Competitive Bidding Event 9799" and substitute "Competitive Bidding Event 9473".
- 2. This amendment is a part of the bidding papers and its receipt shall be acknowledged on the Standard Form 1442. All other conditions and requirements of the specifications remain unchanged. If the bids have been mailed prior to receiving this amendment, you will notify the office where bids are opened, in the specified manner, immediately of its receipt and of any changes in your bid occasioned thereby.
- a. All bids from prime contractors will be submitted using FreeMarkets' "Reverse Auctioning Procedures." See Section 00100 of the Specification Package for more information.
- 3. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., local time at place of bid opening, 21 July 2003.
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